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TITLE:	*MANAGEMENT FOR REPLICATION OF DATA STORED IN A DATA STORAGE ENVIRONMENT INCLUDING A SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR FAILOVER PROTECTION OF SOFTWARE AGENTS OPERATING IN THE ENVIRONMENT*		

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

   This is in response to the Office Action mailed October 14, 2008. As the two month date

to respond to this Office Action fell on a Sunday, this response is believed filed within the 2

month period given to respond to a final Office Action. No other fees are believed due; however,

any fees required for consideration of this paper (including fees for net addition of claims) are

hereby authorized to be charged in the Transmittal Form filed herewith.

Please amend the subject application, as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.